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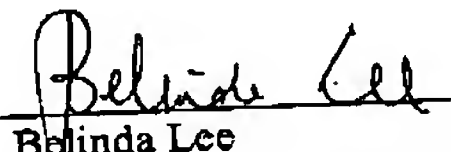
In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2004, please find the *Response to Restriction Requirement*, in 4 pages, in response to paper No. 20040929.

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Thank you for your assistance in the subject matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

The Office Action mailed October 5, 2004 (Paper No. 20040929), has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks.